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House Resolution 81

By: Representatives Watson of the 91<sup>st</sup>, Stephenson of the 92<sup>nd</sup>, Benfield of the 85<sup>th</sup>, Mosby of the 90<sup>th</sup>, Mangham of the 94<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and honoring John Evans; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, John Evans is a native of Nashville, Tennessee, where he received both his
- 3 elementary and high school education; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration at
- 5 Mississippi Valley State University, a Bachelor of Science degree from Tennessee A&I State
- 6 University, and completed his Master in Business Administration (MBA) degree at Atlanta
- 7 University; and
- 8 WHEREAS, after graduation, Mr. Evans moved to Chicago, Illinois, where he worked as an
- 9 accountant with Standard Oil Company and as an internal auditor for Commonwealth Edison
- 10 Company, a public utility; and
- 11 WHEREAS, John Evans moved to Atlanta, Georgia, to serve as a business manager for the
- 12 Interdenominational Theological Center (ITC), one of the five schools in the Atlanta
- 13 University Center, a position he held for 13 years; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the father of three grown children, Harvey, Darla, and Malia, he also has five
- 15 grandchildren; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he is a member of Ousley United Methodist Church, where the Dr. Michael
- 17 McQueen is pastor; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Mr. Evans has received many awards for his community involvement, including
- 19 the DeKalb County Community Development Service Award, Community Pride Day
- 20 Outstanding Service Award in the East Atlanta Community, DeKalb NAACP David C.
- 21 Albert Award, and Atlanta Business League Torch Bearer Award; and

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1 WHEREAS, John Evans is a former member of the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners

- 2 and former president of the DeKalb NAACP; and
- 3 WHEREAS, John Evans is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and is currently the
- 4 president and CEO of Operation LEAD (Leadership to End All Discrimination).
- 5 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 6 the members of this body join in recognizing and honoring John Evans for his outstanding
- 7 service to DeKalb County and to the State of Georgia.
- 8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 9 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to John Evans.